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SUBJ: UNGA DISARMAMENT: FOLLOW-UP WITH EGYPTIANS ON ENVIRONMENTAL  
MODIFICATION

REF: USUN 4518

1. AS REQUESTED BY EGYPTIAN PERMREP ABDEL MEGUID (REFTEL),  
US DELOFF PROVIDED EGYPTIAN DELOFF ALFARARGI OCT 20 A  
NON-PAPER ON THE ENMOD CONVENTION. PAPER FOCUSED ON  
CONVENTION'S SCOPE, RECALLING BASIC OBLIGATION NOT TO  
ENGAGE IN MILITARY OR ANY OTHER HOSTILE USE OF ENMOD  
TECHNIQUES HAVING WIDESPREAD, LONG-LASTING, OR SEVERE  
EFFECTS AS THE MANS OF DESTRUCTION, DAMAGE, OR  
INJURY TO ANY OTHER STATE PARTY. IN THIS CONNECTION,  
PAPER NOTED AGREED CCD UNDERSTANDINGS CONCERNING  
INTERPRETATIONS OF TERMS WIDESPREAD, LONG-LASTING, AND  
SEVERE AND ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF PHENOMENA THAT  
COULD BE PRODUCED BY MEANS OF ENMOD TECHNIQUES, INCLUDING  
EARTHQUAKES, TSUNAMIS, ETC. IT DREW PARTICULAR ATTENTION  
TO FURTHER CCD UNDERSTANDING THAT MILITARY OR ANY OTHER  
HOSTILE USE OF ENMOD TECHNIQUES TO CAUSE ALL PHENOMENA  
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ON ILLUSTRATIVE LIST WOULD BE PROHIBITED.

2. IN ADDITION, PAPER CITED U.S. STATEMENT AT CCD EXPLAINING RATIONALE OF CONVENTION'S SCOPE; I.E., THAT SCOPE "TAKES INTO ACCOUNT, ON THE ONE HAND, THE NEED TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE PROTECTION AGAINST THE DANGERS TO WHICH THE CONVENTION IS ADDRESSED, AND, ON THE OTHER HAND, THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT THE PROHIBITION WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FAITHFULLY AND WILL NOT GIVE RISE TO FRICTION AND CONTROVERSY OVER TRIVIAL ISSUES AND UNPROVABLE CLAIMS OF VIOLATION."

3. PAPER ALSO NOTED CHANGES MADE IN OTHER ELEMENTS OF CONVENTION DURING CCD NEGOTIATIONS, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS, FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND SCIENTIFIC AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION IN PEACEFUL USES, AND PERIODIC REVIEW. IT ALSO NOTED AGREEMENT TO MAKE ARABIC AND OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE CONVENTION. PAPER CONCLUDED WITH STATEMENT THAT US SUPPORTS TEXT AS TRANSMITTED BY CCD AND WOULD WELCOME SUPPORT OF GOE IN SEEKING UNGA RESOLUTION COMMENDING TEXT AND REQUESTING THAT IT BE OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AND RATIFICATION.

4. ALFARARGI EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PAPER, SAYING IT WOULD BE HELPFUL. HE NOTED THAT HE HAD ALREADY REPORTED PRESENTATION BY IKLE AND WOULD ALSO RELAY INFORMATION IN PAPER TO CAIRO.  
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